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Jon

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Dear Jon

Thank you for your email of 11th December 2023 requesting the daily readings for Lough Neagh Levels, from 1st December 2022 to 10th December 2023, and the status of the Toome Flood Gates on each of these days.

In considering your request on behalf of the Department I have determined that the information requested falls under the Environment Information Regulations 2004 (EIR), as opposed to FOI. Section 39 of the Freedom of Information Act specifically excludes from consideration under that Act requests for what is deemed to be environmental information. EIR gives rights of public access to environmental information held by public authorities.

A guide explaining the Environmental Information Regulations can be found at: <https://ico.org.uk/for-organisations/guide-to-the-environmental-information-regulations/what-are-the-eir/>.

The daily readings for Lough Neagh Levels, from 1st December 2022 to 10th December 2023, and the status of the Toome Flood Gates on each of these days, is provided at Annex A.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

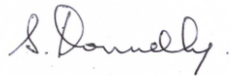
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Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office,
Wycliffe House,
Water Lane,
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Yours sincerely,



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